

## FOR THE EAGLE.

A Collection of News from  
All Over the World.

Feast of Political, Commercial  
and General Intelligence  
For Eagle Readers.

## Bold Deed of Robbers.

The Iron Mountain fast express, outgoing, was held up by six masked men one mile from the union station, within the city limits of St. Louis, Wednesday night at 9:30 o'clock. Two robbers went to the express car and demanded assistance. Express Messenger W. J. Egan refused to let them in. They threatened to kill him, but he was inflexible. They then placed a stick of dynamite at the car door, and blew it to pieces. The explosion badly shattered one side of the car. When the robbers looked for the treasure they were told that the money was in a time-locked safe. Finding it useless to try to blow open the strongbox, the robbers jumped out and notified their companions on the engine that they had failed to get anything. The robbers then disappeared, and Engineer William Greco started ahead. As the train pulled away Express Messenger Egan came to the shattered door of his car, intending to shoot at the marauders. No sooner did he see them, however, than they opened fire and he fled behind a pile of boxes. The noise of the shooting attracted the clerks in the mail car and they opened the doors and a fusillade followed. Express Messenger Egan said the Pacific Express Company had lost nothing.

## DRAGGED BEHIND HIS CART.

Kansas Farmer Held for Brutal Murder of His Daughter.

After a long preliminary examination, Rudolph Brockman, a wealthy farmer living in Osgood Township, Kan., has been held in the sum of \$10,000 to answer for the murder of his 17-year-old daughter, Mary. Four weeks ago Brockman gave the girl a terrible beating because she did not work to suit him in his cornfield. He then tied a rope around one of her ankles, fastened the other end of the rope to the rear axle of his wagon and drove to his barn, a quarter of a mile off, dragging the girl behind. Arriving there, he locked her up in the barn without sufficient clothing and without food. The girl was found by her uncle and another neighbor, who carried her away, but her injuries were so serious that she died Nov. 22. Brockman has long been an outcast among the farmers of Osgood Township. His ranch joins the notorious Bender farm, and 40 years ago the nearest neighbor of the Bender butchers.

## SMALLPOX AND YELLOW FEVER.

Many Deaths in Cuba—Ten Thousand Spanish Soldiers Sick.

The Marine hospital service has received reports of smallpox and yellow fever in Cuban soldiers. Under date of Nov. 24 the United States consul at Cienfuegos reports that during the week ended Nov. 22 there were in that city 12 deaths from yellow fever and two from smallpox. The United States sanitary inspector at Havana reports 229 cases and 87 deaths from yellow fever, and 54 deaths from smallpox during the week ended Nov. 23. The inspector says he is informed from what he believes credible sources that in the eight government military hospitals which are established in the city and its immediate suburbs there now lie 10,000 sick and wounded Spanish soldiers. The scarcity of food is being felt among the poorer classes, and fruit and vegetables are sometimes a luxury on the rich man's table; many people can get no work, and paupers and beggars people the streets.

## Plague Kills Hundreds.

Eight hundred deaths are reported up to date from the plague at Bombay, but the number is believed to be much larger. Crowds of panic-stricken natives are fleeing from the city. Trade and travel are seriously affected. In Bombay for two months the plague remained confined to a small area. It has now spread to all districts of the city and is increasing largely with the cooler weather.

## Big Rolling Mills to Start.

The Philadelphia and Reading Rolling Mill will likely be started up Jan. 1, and that Milligan Brothers of New York are to take charge. The Union Bridge Company received the contract to construct the big bridge across the Hudson at New York for \$20,000,000, and it is understood that Milligan Brothers will furnish much of the bridge material.

## To Restrict Homesteads.

The Secretary of the Interior has decided that the amendment of section 2,280 and 2,280 of the revised statutes does not authorize the homestead entry of lands included within the limits of an incorporated town. It is held that sound public policy would not allow such acquisition of lands so situated and thereby likely largely enhanced in value.

## Out of the Senatorial Race.

Gov. Hastings at Harrisburg, Pa., in a public letter Tuesday announces that he is no longer a candidate for the United States Senate to succeed Don Cameron, and advises his friends to vote for whom they please.

## Discount Rises in India.

The Bank of Bengal has increased its rate of discount from 8 to 9 per cent.

## Milwaukee Store Seized.

Willis A. Meyers' department store in Milwaukee was seized by the Sheriff on four attachments, aggregating \$58,921.00. Later Mr. Meyers made an assignment to George Koch. Meyer's attorney estimates the assets at \$170,000 to \$200,000 and the liabilities at \$100,000.

## Judgment Against E. L. Harper.

At Cincinnati Judge Buchwalter gave a default judgment to Irwin, Green & Co., brokers, of Chicago, against E. L. Harper, of Fidelity Bank fame, for \$671,800.

## May Seize Mosquito Coast.

The report that Colombia is about to seize the Mosquito Coast, has caused the government to proceed not only with the occupation of the Mosquito Coast, but to follow this action by the seizure of the whole Mosquito territory. Colombia has long claimed this territory.

## Charles Wetter Drops Dead.

Charles Wetter, of Winthrop, Minn., while undergoing the ceremony of initiation into the Mystic Shrine at Masonic Temple, fell dead. Physicians decided that death was due to valvular disease of the heart. He was 40 years old, and was proprietor of a hotel at Winthrop.

## SPAIN'S ARMY.

Has 353,746 Soldiers Under Her Flag, Half Are in Cuba.

El Correo Militar, of Madrid, publishes an interesting report of the troops which Spain actually maintains in her various possessions. The list shows the activity exercised by Gen. Aniceto, the Spanish Minister of War, in all the details relative to the organization of the Spanish army. The following is the resume of the article. In Spain at the present moment there are 128,805 men under arms, namely: Infantry, 64,800; cavalry, 14,340; artillery, 11,774; engineers, 5,204; military administration, 1,500; ambulance corps, 900; royal escort and halberdiers, topographical brigade of the general staff, etc., 1,200; police, 14,070, and custom house officers, 14,180. In Cuba, including the eleven expeditions, and not including native volunteers, Spain has 200,000 men. The little army of the Philippines, augmented since the beginning of the insurrection, consists of not less than 30,881 men belonging to the different branches of the army; 12,234 of these were detached from the Peninsula. Last, at Puerto Rico, there are 6,000 soldiers. To sum up, the Spanish nation has today 353,746 soldiers under her flag, while two years ago the entire effective force, including police and customs officers, did not exceed 140,000.

## MASSACRE OF ITALIANS.

Consent and Naval Officers Murdered by Somalis in East Africa.

The massacre of Senor Cecchi, the Italian consul at Zanzibar, the captain of the Italian warship Volturno and Senor Cecchi, and other Italian officers by the Somalis at Magadoxo on the coast of Somaliland, East Africa, took place last Saturday. The party was accompanied by seventy Askaris, and was on a trip into the country outside of Magadoxo when the Somalis attacked the Italian ship. The Italian consul and the captain of the ship were killed, and also thirty of the Askaris. The caravan was attacked during the night by the Somalis. The latter were repulsed at first, but rallied later and continually attacked the retreating caravan. The Italians and their escort of Askaris fought desperately, but were eventually overcome. No soon as the news of the fighting reached Magadoxo a detachment of sailors and a force of Askaris were sent to the assistance of the caravan. But they arrived too late to save the Italians. The rescue party recovered twenty-seven bodies and arrested many Somali tribesmen who took part in the massacre.

## ONE COSTLY BLENDER.

Battleship Texas Utters Unfit to Go Into Action.

Washington dispatch. The battleship Texas is an utter failure and unfit to go into action. The "old coffin," as she is called, is structurally weak, and every additional dollar that is put into her for repairs or to remedy defects only serves to emphasize the fact that she is "no good." The "old coffin" is tied up to a dock at Brooklyn. It is understood that the Secretary of the Navy will not risk consigning a crew to watery graves by sending her to sea. All told, the Texas has cost the Government \$4,125,000. The vessel was built according to the design and plans of an English designer who tricked the Government by submitting a gun and deck plan that would, legitimately, call for a 10,000-ton displacement, whereas the specifications were for a battleship of 6,000 tons displacement. The only thing left for the department to do is to shelve her. Two weeks ago the Texas sank into the mud in shallow water. The accident might have happened at sea, and if it had not a man would have survived.

## FIRE IN OTTAWA.

Canada's Capital Is Visited by a Devastating Conflagration.

A fire broke out in Mrs. Turner's confectionery establishment, on Sparks street, Ottawa, Ontario. It extended to Macdonald's Bros' furnishing store, and then to the store of D. M. Holbrook, clothing, whose building, as well as Turner's and Macdonald's, were swept away. On the top of the building was a large fire escape. The man and woman escaped injury, but 100 tons of hay were destroyed by fire and one of the horses was so badly frightened that it ran itself to death.

## BURNING OF A MISSOURI TOWN.

Two Tramps Arrested for Starting a Blaze in Weston.

A fire that began in the Baptist Church at Weston, Mo., threatened to destroy the town. The principal buildings destroyed are the furniture factory, the church and a large part of the opera house. Two tramps are under arrest as incendiaries, and if their guilt is proved they will undoubtedly be lynched.

## Shot in a Thief Hunt.

Bullets flew at 8 o'clock Thursday night in the neighborhood of Madison and Park streets, Chicago, during a running fight between a desperate thief, who gave the name of Eddie Rogers, and three policemen. During the fusillade Patrolman Henry Connel was wounded in the left leg; John McConachie, a Madison street cable car conductor, was shot through the palm of the right hand. Adolph Thorsen was hit by a spent bullet, and a bullet pierced the lapel of Patrolman John Jenks' overcoat. Patrolman John Riley would have been a third victim of the thief's revolver but for the fact that the latter had emptied his weapon at his pursuers previous to his capture. Rogers is one of that stripe of ruffians who rob women, and had just snatched a pocketbook containing a dollar from Mary Mitchell, a poor washerwoman. The cable car conductor saw the act, and leaped from his car to give chase. It was the thief's first shot at the conductor which attracted the patrolmen, and the pursuit for a time was a regular gun battle. The purse was recovered.

## Cuban Crisis at Hand.

Spain has either weakened on Cuba or else is playing the old game of promises so strong as to deceive President Cleveland into keeping his hands off. It is given out at Washington from what appears to be Spanish sources that not only is it true that Secretary Olney has fixed a specific date for the pacification of the island, but that Spain has already agreed to accept the mediation of the United States if the war is not substantially ended by that time.

## In Charge of a Lion Tamer.

Ira Marini, the Columbus, Ohio prison demon, has been placed in charge of a lion tamer named Rose, who is a convict, and is more docile than for years. He was taken out into the prison yard Thursday, and saw the sun for the first time in four years.

## Penalty in Death.

In the trial of the Nassau alleged train robbers at Nevada, Mo., the defendants, William B. Morris, Harry Vaughn, and William Rogers were positively identified by the trainmen. Death will be the penalty for conviction.

## Planes to Fly.

During the first few weeks after President-elect McKinley assumes his duties he will have the privilege of making about one hundred and fifty nominations

of Presidential postmasters. The Senate will have about four hundred suggestions for action. During the recess of Congress there have been 104 nominations of postmasters which must now be submitted to the Senate for confirmation or rejection. All nominations to fill vacancies caused by the expiration of commissions of postmasters at Presidential offices during this month and January and February must also be submitted, together with nominations for about fifty lower class offices which will be raised to the Presidential rank Jan. 1. These swell the list to about four hundred.

## FORGOT THEIR ORDERS.

Three Killed in Ohio Train Collision—Railroad Officials Hurt.

A disastrous wreck occurred Monday morning about three-quarters of a mile west of Storrs station on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railway, in which two persons were killed and a number injured. The trains which collided were an accommodation from Cochran, Ind., and a special made up of a passenger coach and two private cars, carrying the general officers of the road, who were starting out to make an inspection of the line. The engineer and conductor of the special had orders to follow fifteen minutes behind a preceding regular train and to keep out of the way of the accommodation, which had the right of way. The special stopped at Storrs, where it should have waited, but the engineer and conductor both forgot their orders and pulled out. When three-quarters of a mile west of Storrs the trains came together. There was a fog which prevented seeing clearly, so neither engineer suspected collision until the shock. The victims were: Engineer John Price, Fireman Homer Dixon, and L. Zepherin.

## FOOT UP \$421,718,070.

Estimates of Expenditures for the Next Fiscal Year.

Secretary Carlisle Monday transmitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives the estimates of appropriations required for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905. They are recapitulated by titles as follows, some being omitted:

Legislative establishment	\$4,770,820
Executive establishment	10,908,952
Judicial establishment	107,120
Foreign affairs	2,052,828
Military establishment	24,202,636
Naval establishment	32,434,773
Indian affairs	1,270,525
Pensions	141,529,590
Public works	31,457,001
Post and telegraphs	1,282,000
Miscellaneous	30,344,216
Permanent annual appropriations	120,078,220
Total	\$421,718,070

The estimates for the present fiscal year amounted to \$418,001,673, and the appropriations, including deficiencies and miscellaneous amounts to \$432,421,005.

## CONGRESS IN SESSION.

National Lawmakers Ready for a Nation's Business.

The second session of the Fifty-fourth Congress was called to order at noon Monday, the Senate by Vice President Stevenson and the House by Speaker Reed. Exactly at noon the President's message entered the chamber, and, going to the desk of the presiding officer, gave a tap, which brought the Senate to order. While the blind chaplain, Rev. Dr. Milburn, delivered an impressive invocation. The roll call showed seventy Senators present. In the House, all the members were present, and there was an air of business as members glanced at the black pall which covered the conspicuous desk of the late ex-Speaker Crisp, the Democratic leader. On it were some cut flowers. His portrait in the lobby in the rear of the House was also covered with a black pall. After the President's message had been read, adjournment was had.

## A Kansas Incident.

William Van Cleef, a farmer of Smith County, Kansas, fixed a kerosene lamp under his buggy seat to furnish warmth for himself and wife on a fifteen-mile trip. The lamp exploded. In the excitement the man was away, throwing Mrs. Van Cleef out and scattering flames for a mile. The man and woman escaped injury, but 100 tons of hay were destroyed by fire and one of the horses was so badly frightened that it ran itself to death.

## Reward for Film-Flamers.

Two thousand dollars have been offered as a reward for the capture of the men who "film-flamed" Jeweler Gail, of New Orleans, and the recovery of the precious stones, which are valued at \$10,000.

## Dr. Kennedy Dies in a Blizzard.

The only fatality from the blizzard learned of near Pierre, S. D., is the death of Dr. H. M. Kennedy, who was on a sheep ranch. An old German named Kock is also reported missing.

## Mother Earth Has a Chill.

An extraordinary blizzard was felt at Smith Lake, Wright County, Minn., about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The vibrations, of which there were several, passed from east to west.

## Stand and Deliver.

Four masked robbers, supposed to be headed by "Dynamite Dick," held up Storekeeper Ernest Powell at Ingram, O. K., and made him deliver \$300.

## MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.50; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 77c to 78c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 34c to 40c; butter, choice, 22c to 24c; eggs, 20c to 22c; potatoes, per bushel, 20c to 22c; brown corn, common grade to fine, 20c to 22c; 50c to 55c per pound. Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$3.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2, 80c to 91c; corn, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c. St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2, 91c to 92c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 21c to 22c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 21c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 35c. Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2, 94c to 96c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 22c to 23c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 20c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 41c to 43c. Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 91c to 93c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 21c to 22c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c; rye, 38c to 40c. Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 91c to 92c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 40c; clover seed, \$5.25 to \$5.35. Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 78c to 80c; corn, No. 3, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c; barley, No. 2, 30c to 34c; rye, No. 1, 40c to 42c; pork, mess, \$6.50 to \$7.00. Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 97c to 98c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 24c to 25c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 24c. New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 97c to 98c; corn, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 24c; butter, creamery, 15c to 25c; eggs, West-ern, 20c to 25c.

## SOUND, USEFUL AS A MOTOR.

Power May Be Developed by Harnessing the Waves of Noise.

A sound motor is the latest. It has been discovered that sound contains or can cause motion. This may be the explanation of the mysterious Keely motor which "went" without any apparent cause. The new sound motor is in the form of a wheel, which turns when a certain note is struck.

As yet it has little power and may be easily stopped with the finger. But further experiments may show that all sorts of noises at present regarded merely as a nuisance can be made to accomplish useful results. The intensity of its manifestation depends upon the density of the air in which the sound is generated, and not upon the density of the air in which it is heard. A tuning fork when in vibration molds the surrounding air into sonorous waves that we call sound. While this may be termed simply an "exhibition of energy," who is the philosopher who can prove it is not to be a "form of matter"?

Sound is but a changed form of molecule. In the first form of the sound motor vane like those of the radio-motor were employed, but without success. Then the phenomenon of resonance was studied. Certain shaped bodies appeared to re-enclose sound—make it louder, stronger. Experiment along this line revealed the remarkable fact that between the law of resonance and the law of sound there existed a curious relationship, the tonic, the dominant and the sub-dominant of the sound scale corresponding to the cylinder, the parabola and the hyperbola. A cavity shaped as a cylinder, having a spherical termination, offered a measurable resistance to the sound of the tonic. A cavity shaped as a parabola resisted the sound of the dominant and a hyperbolic shaped cavity resisted the sub-dominant, the different shaped cavities but slightly or not at all affected by other notes.

The present form of the sound motor consists of a flat disk mounted upon an axle. On the periphery of the disk are twelve cuplike cavities shaped either parabolic, hyperbolic or cylindrical, according as it is desired to use a certain note, the axis of the cavity being at a tangent to the circumference of the disk. As a hollow sphere reflects to its center all rays of incidence originating within it, besides reinforcing them, the motor is inclosed in a flat spherical casing, which while conserving the actuating sound excludes extraneous ones. The axis of the disk is projected outside of the casing, where it carries a pulley. The sound employed to move the disk is produced by a tuning fork vibrated by a small electro magnet. A curious feature is that the motor will only operate when the cavities are seven or twelve in number, corresponding to the number of tones in the major and chromatic scales of the incomplete octave.—New York Journal.

## Cured the Mule.

"I was riding along a mountain road in eastern Kentucky a few weeks ago," remarked a traveling salesman to a Washington Star reporter, "when I saw a mule running toward me with a single tree dangling at his heels. With great difficulty I succeeded in turning out of his way and he continued to go down the mountain at a lively pace.

"About a mile further on I saw two front wheels of a spring wagon, and a short distance away the other wheels and the wagon box. I looked around to see if the driver had been hurt, but finding no one drove on.

"In a few minutes I met a man walking down the road rather hastily. 'Stranger,' he queried, 'did you see a mule down there?'

"Yes."

"Did he have a rag over 'is year?'

"I didn't see any."

"What, it's all right, I reckon 'e'll stop when 'e gits fustered out, an' I reckon 'e's cured."

"What is he cured of?" I asked.

"Balkin'. Yo' see I heard that a grasshopper put in th' year of a hose or mawl' 'ed cure 'im from balkin', so I tied a rag over th' critter's year so it couldn't git out, cotched a grasshopper, put 'im in, an', stranger, it's th' best remedy I ever seed. Th' mawl' didn't give me time to git in th' wagon. I never did see a mawl' so sprightly. I reckon th' hoppers got out now, an' I'll go on a catch th' mawl'."

## A Locomotive Fort.

American locomotives are found all over the world. The Baldwin concern has just filled an order for a two-foot gauge mountain climber for a Mexican railroad, one a little wider, and the first of a large number ordered for the Russian trans-Siberian railroad, a compound engine for the Norwegian State Railroad, and an armored locomotive, which is almost a fortress, for the use of the Spanish troops in Cuba.

The cab is protected by steel plates three-eighths of an inch in thickness, which can be slid over the grass when required. These shutters are provided with loop-holes, through which the engine guards can operate rifles, or the machine gun which is to be mounted in the cab.

## Both in the Same Fix.

A Toga youth started to take his best girl to the city one evening last week. The couple boarded a street car, and when the conductor came in for his fare, the young man dived down in his pocket. To his horror, he discovered that his pocket was absolutely empty. Looking up at the conductor, he blurted out: "I've changed my pants and left my money at home." Then he looked questioningly at the girl. She shook her head, and murmured: "So have I." The conductor grinned, the maiden blushed, and the young man signaled to stop.

"Hello," said the smoking car as the damaged trolley rolled into the depot. "What struck you?" "Oh," replied the trolley, "I thought I would have a little fun by running down a gang on the street, and hanged if they weren't all football players!"—Philadelphia North American.

What a uniformity of opinion exists among men that good husbands are made by letting men have their own way!

When a boy says "No" at the table, it doesn't mean no; it means that he is trying to be polite.

## SELFISHNESS OF ONE MAN.

After All Her Planning She Failed to Get a New Wrap.

"Where is that lovely wrap you were selecting when I saw you the other day?" asked the young woman in Marie Antoinette hat.

"Oh, don't speak of it," groaned the young woman in the brown turban. "It makes me ill to think of it."

"What on earth is the matter with it? Didn't it fit, after all? Or—"

"It fitted so well that I might have known something would happen so I couldn't get it. Oh, dear, I know I shall be perfectly healthy this year, too. I always am when I have to wear an old wrap; nothing will give me even a cold in my head. Just let me get a lovely new one, though, and—"

"The mere leaving of the front gate open is enough to give you pneumonia. Yes, I know just how it is myself. But you said that you had a plan by which you could get that darling jacket, and—"

"Teach my husband a lesson at the same time! I know, but somehow it failed to work, and it wasn't my fault in the least, either. It was this way: Henry makes such a fuss over my bills that—"

"Already? What will be after you have been married twenty years?"

"I shan't mind it, then, dear. It is only while you are becoming accustomed to a thing that it hurts. Well, to get even with him, I make a great outcry over his carelessness where his own garments are concerned. Now, last winter I got a new wrap and he was overcoat. When the warm weather came I got a lot of moth balls and put my wrap carefully away, not that I meant to wear it this year, but only to call attention to my carelessness. He just left his coat hanging in the closet, and I was so angry with him just then that I wouldn't remind him of it. I saw that I could point a moral this fall, so he'd be ashamed to refuse me a new wrap for taking such good care of the old one."

"Oh, I begin to see."

"Do you? In the first place, I asked him for a new jacket, and he said he really couldn't afford one. Of course, I knew that was only talk."

"Of course it was. 'Can't afford it' to a husband is the 'Pretty Polly' to a parrot, earliest learned, and—"

"Oftenest repeated, I know. Well, I cried a good deal, but he was firm, so I knew I'd have to play my trump card. Next day I went and selected the jacket I wanted. That evening I said: 'Don't you want your overcoat, dear?' He said he believed he would go up and get it, and oh, Laura, the moths had made a perfect wreck of it!"

"Serves him right. He—"

"Yes, but it didn't serve me right, at all! He—he had felt badly because I cried, and had succeeded in getting the money I had asked for, and now—he will all have to go for a new overcoat for himself! Oh, did you hear of anything so selfish?"—Chicago Times-Herald.

Getting Even with Him. It is always gratifying to one's sense of justice to see the tables turned upon a would-be swindler. Mrs. J. G. Jebb tells the story of a young Englishman who was travelling in Mexico. One Don Manuel represented to him the immense value of a certain silver mine, with which circumstances compelled him to part. But his friend should see and judge for himself!

The two men were accordingly lowered a short distance into the shaft and the Englishman was so pleased with the appearance of the ore that he gave a check for as much as the purchase price. Later he felt moved to explore his investment further, and going alone to the mine, hired an Indian in the vicinity to lower the cage. He speedily discovered that the mine was full of water!

Putting into immediate action a plan of reprisal, he sought Don Manuel and expressed his desire to visit the shaft again, to which the Mexican reluctantly yielded. The Indian was again hired to lower the cage, Don Manuel, at the Englishman's instance, giving the requisite instructions. The Englishman then politely motioned the older man to be seated.

Hardly had he done so, when the Indian, in obedience to a gesture from his secret patron, began turning the windlass. In vain Don Manuel entreated and threatened, till his voice arose faintly from far below.

Then the cage was drawn up to within a few feet of the surface and the Englishman demanded of his drenched occupant the surrender of his check. Evidently the young man meant business, and without a word, Don Manuel yielded.

"Now you can come out. I hope you have not taken a chill!" inquired the Englishman, courteously.

Odd Traditions. Traditions are not good things to go on in the writing of history, yet traditions are interesting, nevertheless. It is well to know that, according to some legends, the capital of France derives its name from Paris, son of Priam, who said to have fled there when Troy was captured. These also tell us that Nuremberg was named after Nero, Jerusalem after King Josiah, and the Humbert after a king of the Huns, who drowned in it. From the same sources we also learn that the Gauls derive their origin from Galathea, a descendant of Japhet, and that Prussia is called after Prusus, a brother of Augustus; that the Scotch are descendants of Scotia, a daughter of Pharaoh, and that the city of Naples was founded on eggs.

Curiously Composed. "Your honor," said a lawyer in a recent trial in England, "the argument of my learned friend is lighter than vanity. It is air; it is smoke. From top to bottom it is absolutely nothing. And therefore, your honor, it falls to the ground by its own weight."—Exchange.

Bingo—How is the new cook doing? Mrs. Bingo—Splendidly. Why, she has only been here three days, and she can already ride my wheel quite nicely.—New York Herald.

Home is dearer to a woman than a man because to her it is a place where she can sit around without her corset on.

The only way to take time easy is to take it by the forelock.